



Delegated Action of the Executive Director

PROJECT Fort Davis Recreation Center and Playground Renovation Fort Davis Recreation Center and Playground 1400 41st Street, SE Washington, DC	NCPC FILE NUMBER 7690 NCPC MAP FILE NUMBER 82.00(70.00)44181]
SUBMITTED BY District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation	ACTION TAKEN Preliminary and final approval of site and building plans REVIEW AUTHORITY Advisory per 40 U.S.C. § 8722(b)(1)

The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) submitted a renovation project for Fort Davis Recreation Center and Playground, a 4.7 acre park in Southeast Washington, DC just a few blocks south of Fort Dupont Park. It is located at the intersection of Alabama Avenue and 41st Street, SE. The existing site consists of a recreation center built in 1984 and rehabbed in 2004, a picnic area with shelter, one basketball court, one tennis court, one softball diamond, two large children's playgrounds and a water play area. The recreation center is used by seniors, school children and summer camps. The diamond is used for softball practice and games.

DPR, in conjunction with the Department of General Services (DGS), is now proposing the construction of new playground areas, a splash pad, a new picnic area, rehabilitated sidewalks, a small parking lot and lighting. The field, basketball court and tennis court are not included in the scope of work. The recreation center renovations include the bathrooms, finishes and the addition of an elevator for American's with Disabilities Act accessibility. A small maintenance room addition is also proposed that will house the equipment and controls for the new splash pad.

The project is not inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital as it supports many of the policies within the Parks and Open Space Element. This element promotes the enhancement of parks and open space within the National Capital Region.

DPR has completed a District of Columbia Environmental Impact Screening Form for this project. No additional environmental impact evaluation is required. DPR submitted this project for review by the District Department of the Environment (DDOE) and per the 2013 DDOE stormwater regulations, the project is required to provide 3,578 cubic feet of stormwater storage. DPR states that project will provide 4,200 cubic feet through the use of bio-retention facilities.

The District of Columbia State Historic Preservation Office (DC HPO) has determined that the project will not have an adverse impact on historic resources. As this is a District of Columbia project located outside the Central Area, NCPC's authority is advisory and therefore NCPC does not have a responsibility under the National Environmental Policy Act or the National Historic Preservation Act.

The Coordinating Committee reviewed the proposal at its June 17, 2015 meeting. The Committee forwarded the proposed preliminary and final site and building plans to the Commission with the statement that the project has been coordinated with all participating agencies. The participating agencies were: NCPC; the District of Columbia Office of Planning; the District of Columbia State Historic Preservation Office; the General Services Administration; the National Park Service; and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

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Pursuant to delegations of authority adopted by the Commission on October 3, 1996 and 40 U.S.C.

§ 8722(b)(1), I approve the preliminary and final site and building plans for the Fort Davis Recreation Center and Playground Renovation.

Marcel Acosta
Executive Director

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